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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
HARALD GROEGER, ET AL. :  
SERIAL NO: 10/593,567 : ATTN: MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS  
FILED: AUGUST 21, 2007 :  
FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING :  
OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO ACIDS :  
USING A WHOLE-CELL CATALYST :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO  
NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Notification to Comply with Requirements dated August 29, 2008,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this response.